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1876

Cokesbury United Methodist Church
Cokesbury
Public Worship

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Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Cokesbury United Methodist Church

and/or common

2. Location

street & number W side of Cokesbury Road ___ not for publication

city, town Cokesbury ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
___ district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	___ agriculture ___ museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	___ private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial ___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational ___ private residence
___ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	___ entertainment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> religious
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> object	___ in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	___ government ___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial ___ transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	___ no	___ military ___ other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

Cokesbury United Methodist Church
name c/o Reverend Dale L. Vroman

street & number Cokesbury Road telephone no.:

city, town Pocomoke City state and zip code Maryland

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state Maryland 21853

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

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city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Cokesbury United Methodist Church stands on the west side of Cokesbury Road immediately south of the Cokesbury crossroads. The gable-front church is dated 1876, but has experienced moderate remodeling.

Facing east, the single-story asbestos sheathed frame rests on a common bond brick foundation and is covered by a medium sloped asphalt tile roof. Attached to the front is a modern foyer addition and extending to the back is an ell-shaped concrete block church hall and Sunday School wing. Located to both north and south of the church are 19th and early 20th-century grave markers.

The east (main) elevation is largely covered by the more recent aluminum-sided frame addition. A Gothic arched colored-glass window appears to have been moved from its original location to its new position when the foyer was attached. The marble datestone is located in the lower northeast corner and inscribed, "New Cokesbury M. E. Church 1876".

The north and south sides of the structure are alike with three Gothic-arched, colored-glass windows.

The west gable end has a simple single-bay apse with a narrow 2/2 colored-glass window on the south side. The remainder of the back side is covered by the concrete block addition.

The church interior has retained some of its period woodwork in addition to the period pine pews. A pair of heavily molded doors open into the barrel vaulted sanctuary. Vertical board wainscoting stretches around the room. The turned baluster altar rail survives in front of the small altar space. The altar furniture is of Mission oak and from the Arts and Crafts period of furniture styles.

The 19th-century cemetery contains approximately two-dozen markers.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1876

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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